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1. I TALKED WITH CABINDA GULF MANAGER ANDERSON ABOUT THIS MATTER ON JANUARY 29, AFTER UNITA PRESIDENT JONAS SAVIMBI SAID PUBLICLY THAT THE CABINDA GULF CONTRACTS WOULD HAVE TO BE RENEGOTIATED (SEE LUANDA 0124).

2. GULF, REPRESENTED BY ANDERSON, AND THE ANGOLAN GOVERNMENT, REPRESENTED BY CIVIL SERVANTS HEADED BY JOAQUIM LOPEZ OF THE MINES AND ENERGY DEPARTMENT, BEGAN NEGOTIATING A NEW CONTRACT JANUARY 13. THEY COMPLETED THEIR WORK ABOUT JANUARY 20. ALL THAT REMAINS NOW IS A REVIEW BY THE POLITICAL LEVELS OF THE ANGOLAN GOVERNMENT AND SIGNATURE BY BOTH PARTIES.

3. ANDERSON SAID THE NEW CONTRACT IS SIMILAR TO GULF CONTRACTS ELSEWHERE. ANGOLA WILL OWN FIFTY-FIVE PERCENT OF CABINDA GULF, AND WILL PAY GULF EIGHTY-FIVE MILLION DOLLARS.

4. ANDERSON SAID THAT THE TERMS OF THE NEW CONTRACT ARE STILL REGARDED AS CONFIDENTIAL AND THAT GULF DEFINITELY DOES NOT WANT THEM LEAKED.

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5. THE ANGOLAN NEGOTIATORS TOLD GULF THAT THEY KEPT THE
LIBERATION GROUPS INFORMED OF THE NEGOTIATIONS. IF THAT IS
THE CASE, SAVIMBI MUST HAVE KNOWN ABOUT THE CONTRACT AND WAS
SETTING UP THE PUBLIC FOR AN EASY POLITICAL GAIN.
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